

of an initial plan or updated allocation plan under this section may not be construed to constitute approval of any request for assistance for major reconstruction of obsolete projects, assistance for development or acquisition of public housing, or assistance under 24 CFR part 890 (supportive housing for persons with disabilities).

(4) *Resubmission following disapproval.* If HUD disapproves an initial allocation plan, a PHA shall have a period of not less than 45 days or more than 90 days following notification of disapproval as provided in paragraph (e)(2) of this section, to submit amendments to the plan, or to submit a revised plan.

(f) *Biennial update of plan*—(1) *General.* Each PHA that owns or operates a public housing project that is designated for occupancy under this part shall update its allocation plan not less than once every two years, from the date of HUD approval of the initial allocation plan. A PHA that wishes to amend or revise its plan later than 90 days after HUD disapproval must begin the hearing and consultation process again.

(2) *Failure to submit updated plan.* If the PHA fails to submit the updated plan as required by this paragraph (f), the Secretary may revoke the designation in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (f)(4)(ii) of this section.

(3) *Contents of updated plan.* The updated allocation plan shall contain, at a minimum, the following information:

(i) The most recent update of the allocation plan data, and projections for the next two years;

(ii) An assessment of the accuracy of the projections contained in previous plans and in the updated allocation plan;

(iii) The number of times a vacancy was filled in accordance with § 945.303(c);

(iv) A discussion of the impact of the designation on the designated project and the other public housing projects operated by the PHA, using the data obtained from the system developed in § 945.203(c), including

(A) The number of times there was a substantial increase in delaying housing assistance to families on the PHA's

waiting list because projects were designated; and

(B) The number of times there was a substantial increase in denying housing assistance to families on the PHA's waiting list because projects were designated;

(v) A plan for adjusting the allocation of designated units, if necessary.

(4) *Criteria for approval of updated plan.* (i) HUD shall approve an updated allocation plan based on HUD's review and assessment of the updated plan, using the criteria in (d) of this section. If HUD considers it appropriate, the review and assessment shall include any on-site review and monitoring of PHA performance in the administration of its designated housing and in the allocation of the PHA's housing resources. Notification of approval or disapproval of the updated allocation plan shall be provided in accordance with paragraph (e) of this section;

(ii) If a PHA's updated plan is not approved, HUD may require PHAs to change the designation of existing or planned projects to other categories, such as general occupancy or mixed population projects.

(5) *Notification of approval or disapproval of updated plan.* HUD shall notify each PHA submitting an updated plan of approval or disapproval of the updated plan, in accordance with the form of notification and within the time periods required by paragraph (e) of this section.

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§ 945.205 Designated housing for disabled families.

(a) *General.* (1) In general, HUD will approve designated projects for disabled families only if there is a clear demonstration that there is both a need and a demand by disabled families for such designation. In the absence of such demonstrated need and demand, PHAs should provide for the housing needs of disabled families in the most integrated setting possible.

(2) To designate a project for disabled families, a PHA must submit the allocation plan required by § 945.203 and the supportive service plan described in paragraph (b) of this section.

(3) In its allocation plan,

(i) The PHA may not designate a project for persons with a specific disability;

(ii) The designated project does not have to be made up of contiguous units. PHAs are encouraged to place the units in the project, whether contiguous or not, in the most integrated setting possible.

(4) The consultation process for the allocation plan provided in § 945.203(b) and consultation process for the supportive service plan provided in this section may occur concurrently.

(5) If the PHA conducts surveys to determine the need or demand for a designated project for disabled families or for supportive services in such project, the PHA must protect the confidentiality of the survey responses.

(b) *Supportive Service Plan.* The plan shall describe how the PHA will provide or arrange for the provision of the appropriate supportive services requested by the disabled families who will occupy the designated housing and who have expressed a need for these services.

(1) *Contents of plan.* The supportive service plan, at a minimum, must:

(i) Identify the number of disabled families who need the supportive services and who have expressed an interest in receiving them;

(ii) Describe the types of supportive services that will be provided, and, if known, the length of time the supportive services will be available;

(iii) Identify each service provider to be utilized, and describe the experience of the service provider in delivering supportive services;

(iv) Describe how the supportive services will be provided to the disabled families that the designated housing is expected to serve (how the services will be provided depends upon the type of service offered; e.g., if the package includes transportation assistance, how transportation assistance will be provided to disabled families);

(v) Identify all sources of funding upon which the PHA is relying to deliver supportive services to residents of the designated housing for disabled families, or the supportive service resources to be provided in lieu of funding;

(vi) Submit evidence of a specific contractual commitment or commitments provided to the PHA by the sources identified in paragraph (b)(1)(v) of this section to make funds available for supportive services, or the delivery of supportive services available to the PHA for at least two calendar years;

(vii) Identify any public and private service providers, advocates for the interests of designated housing families, and other interested parties with whom the PHA consulted in the development of this supportive service plan, and summarize the comments and recommendations made by these parties. (These comments must be maintained for a period of five years, and be available for review by HUD as provided in paragraph (b)(2)(vii) of this section.);

(viii) If applicable, address the need for residential supervision of disabled families (on-site supervision within the designated housing) and how this supervision is to be provided;

(ix) Include any other information that the PHA determines would assist HUD in assessing the suitability of the PHA's supportive service plan; and

(x) Include any additional information that HUD may request, and which is appropriate to a determination of the suitability of the supportive service plan.

(2) *Public review and comment on the supportive service plan.* In preparing the initial supportive service plan, or any update of the supportive service plan, the PHA shall:

(i) Issue public notices regarding its intention to provide supportive services to designated housing for disabled families and the availability of the draft supportive service plan;

(ii) Send notices directly to interested individuals and agencies that have contacted the PHA and have expressed an interest in the supportive service plan, and to parties specified in paragraph (b)(1)(vii) of this section;

(iii) Allow not less than 30 days for public comment on the supportive service plan;

(iv) Make free copies of the draft plan available upon request, and in accessible format, when appropriate;

(v) Conduct at least one public meeting regarding the supportive service plan;

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(vi) Give fair consideration to all comments received; and

(vii) Retain any records of the public meetings held on the supportive service plan, and any written comments received on the supportive service plan for a period of five years, from the date of submission of the supportive service plan. These records must be available for review by HUD.

(c) *Approval.* HUD shall approve designated housing for disabled families if the allocation plan meets the requirements of § 945.203, including demonstrating both a need and a demand for designated housing for disabled families, and if HUD determines on the basis of the information provided in the supportive service plan that:

(1) There is a sufficient number of persons with disabilities who have expressed an interest in occupying a designated project for disabled families, and who have expressed a need and demand for the supportive services that will be provided;

(2) The supportive services are adequately designed to meet the needs of the disabled families who have indicated a desire for them;

(3) The service provider has current or past experience administering an effective supportive service delivery program for persons with disabilities;

(4) If residential supervision is required, a written commitment to provide this supervision in the designated housing.

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Subpart C—Operating Designated Housing

§ 945.301 General requirements.

The application procedures and operation of designated projects shall be in conformity with the regulations of this part, and the regulations applicable to PHAs in 24 CFR Chapter IX, including 24 CFR parts 913, 960 and 966, and, in particular, the nondiscrimination requirements of 24 CFR 960.211(b)(3), that include but are not limited to section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601–3619), title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d), section 3 of

the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u), the Age Discrimination Act (42 U.S.C. 6101–6107), Executive Order 11246 (3 CFR 1964–1965 Comp., p. 339), Executive Order 11063, as amended by Executive Order 12259 (3 CFR 1958–1963 Comp., p. 652 and 3 CFR 1980 Comp., p. 307), the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. 12101–12213) (to the extent the Americans with Disabilities Act is applicable) and the implementing regulations of these statutes and authorities; and other applicable Federal, State, and local laws prohibiting discrimination and promoting equal opportunity.

§ 945.303 Requirements governing occupancy in designated housing.

(a) *Priority for occupancy.* Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, in determining priority for admission to designated housing, the PHA shall make units in the designated housing available only to designated families.

(b) *Compliance with preference regulations.* Among the designated families, the PHA shall give preference in accordance with the preferences in 24 CFR part 960, subpart B.

(c) *Eligibility of other families for housing designated for elderly families—*(1) *Insufficient elderly families.* If there are an insufficient number of elderly families for the units in a project designated for elderly families, the PHA may make dwelling units available to near-elderly families, who qualify for preferences under 24 CFR part 960, subpart B. The election to make dwelling units available to near-elderly families if there are an insufficient number of elderly families should be explained in the PHA's allocation plan.

(2) *Insufficient elderly families and near-elderly families.* If there are an insufficient number of elderly families and near-elderly families for the units in a project designated for elderly families, the PHA shall make available to all other families any dwelling unit that is:

(i) Ready for re-rental and for a new lease to take effect; and

(ii) Vacant for more than 60 consecutive days.

(d) *Tenant choice of housing.* (1) Subject to paragraph (d)(2) of this section,